Confederation COLLEGE

DZ Truck Driver



Overview

Become a First-Class DZ Truck Driver, Earn Better Pay

In Thunder Bay and across Canada, commercial truck drivers are in high demand, earning above average incomes. The trucking industry has changed significantly with greater emphasis on safety, health, prevention, and accountability.

The career itself involves the operation of heavy vehicles to transport goods and materials up to 4,600 kg/10,000 lb., but not exceeding this weight. The opportunity for employment in municipal works as a driver could include dump trucks, cement mixers, street snowplows, rescue vehicles, fire trucks, tow trucks, garbage trucks and similar vehicles.



Top Highlights

- Courses follow industry standards and practices so you are ready for the job market
- Classroom and practical training, including driving, yard, pre-trip and observation
- Hands-on training in the yard and on the road using class D vehicles while under the instruction of a qualified trainer
- Drive time includes real world scenarios and trips on highways, city streets and back roads
- All in-cab training and the final Road Test will be operating a manual transmission vehicle on an MTO-approved route
- · Strong emphasis on defensive driving



Employment Opportunities

Upon graduation, you will possess the necessary skill set to seek employment as a truck driver for a variety of vehicles. These include dump truck, cement mixers, street snowplows, rescue vehicles, fire trucks, tow truck driver and garbage trucks.



Contract Training

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Program Requirements (for domestic students)

Program participants must:

- Possess a valid Ontario full class "G" driver's licence.
- Obtain an Ontario Driver's Abstract from Service Ontario.
- Obtain a completed Ministry of Transportation Ontario Medical Report.

NOTE: This program is not currently available for international students.

Employment Services

Free employment services for all students through the Northwest Employment Works (NEW). Services include connecting job-seekers to employers and offering one-on-one career advising, resume assistance and interview preparation and techniques.

Topics Covered in the Program

Air Brake
Basic Driving Techniques
Documents, Paperwork and Regulatory Requirements
Employment in the Commercial Vehicle Industry
Fuel Efficiency
Handling Emergencies
Hours of Service Compliance
Operating Drive Time

Professional Driving Habits
Real World Scenarios
Recruiting/Employment Preparation
Tractor-Trailer Off-Road Tasks and Manoeuvres
Transportation Review
Vehicle Components & Systems
Vehicle Inspection Activities





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